GOVERNMNT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Energy Dept. - Reduction of Tariff Charges (Demand Charges) and Electricity Duty for Ferro Alloy Producers – Extension of Operating period upto 31.03.2025 – Orders - Issued.

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ENERGY (POWER-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.6 Dated:23-01-2025

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.26, Energy (Power.III) Dept., dt.16.11.2023.
2. G.O.Ms.No.27, Energy (Power.III) Dept., dt.16.03.2024.
3. From the Chairman, Ferro Alloys Producers Association A.P., Reg.No.291/11, dt.07.08.2024.

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**ORDER:**

In the G.O. 1st read above, the following orders were issued in regard to reduction of Demand charges and also reduce of Electricity duty to the Ferro Alloys Industries based on the request of the Chairman, Ferro Alloys Producers Association of Andhra Pradesh: -

i) The Electricity Duty shall be reduced to Six (6) paise per unit. The liability of Demand charges amount is reduced up to 90%, while continuing nominal demand charges amount of 10%, as a special case, for one year period to support the industry as was done earlier, considering the special nature of the industry.

ii) The differential amount of Demand Charges due to said reduction of such liability which was determined by A.P electricity regulatory Commission in its retail supply tariff order for 2023-24 towards demand charges to this category of industry, shall be reimbursed to AP DISCOMs in the form of Subsidy by the Government w.e.f. 01.04.2023 for a period of one year only. The reduced Electricity duty to Six (6) paise per unit is also for a period of one year only w.e.f. 01.04.2023 so that the industry may tide over the current crisis.

iii) The APDISCOMs shall also direct the Ferro Alloy industry to procure power for their consumption from APDISCOMs only.

2. In the G.O. 2nd read above, Government issued orders modifying the operating period from October, 2023 to September, 2024 instead of 01-04-2023 to 31-03-2024 as ordered in the G.O.1st read above.

3. In the 3rd reference above, the Chairman, A.P. Ferro Alloys Producers Association has requested the Government to continue the same reduction in tariff and electricity duty for one more year i.e. from 01.10.2024 to 30.09.2025, for sustenance and continuous running of the Ferro Alloys Sector in Andhra Pradesh and also for the livelihood of 30,000 people both direct and indirect.

4. After careful examination of the proposal in consultation with stakeholders, the Government here by order to extend the same reduction in Tariff Charges and Electricity Duty for Ferro Alloy Producers as ordered in the G.O. 1st read above up to 31.03.2025.

5. The Director of Electrical Safety & Chief Electrical Inspector to Government, Guntur; the Member Convenor, Andhra Pradesh Power Coordination Committee, Vijayawada and the Chairman and Managing Directors, APSPDCL/APEPDCL/APCPDCL, Tirupati/ Visakhapatnam/Vijayawada shall take necessary further action accordingly.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.No. FIN01-FMU0ASD(IC)/94/2021 (Computer No. 1487946), dated:17-12-2024.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K. VIJAYANAND
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director of Electrical Safety &
Chief Electrical Inspector to Govt. of A.P., Guntur.
The Member Convenor,
Andhra Pradesh Power Coordination Committee, Vijayawada.
The Chairman & Managing Directors,
APEPDCL/APCPDCL/APSPDCL, Visakhapatnam/Vijayawada/Tirupati.

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// FORWARDED: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER